

Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

I see no reason to be forced to take a medical exam or a hearing test in order to purchase a hearing aid. That is ridiculous. Besides not everyone can afford to have an exam when buying a hearing aid. If the government forces me to take an exam, then they should pay for it.

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance ...

I am eighty-seven years old and I cannot get to a doctor unless someone is willing to take me. I don't have my own transportation and at my age it is very difficult to go anywhere, without getting help from someone.

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

I should be able to buy what I want and need without any interference from any government agency, so long as I am able to afford it.

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

I have had better results buying my hearing aids by mail than I have trying to by them on the local market. Also they have been much less expensive, therefore I am better able to afford them. And at my age I certainly do need hearing aids.

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